UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
Plaintiff;)	
)	
v.)	Civil Action No.: 93-2621SS
)	
BAROID CORPORATION,)	
BAROID DRILLING FLUIDS, INC.,)	
DB STRATABIT (USA) INC., and)	
DRESSER INDUSTRIES, INC.;)	
)	
Defendants.)	
)	

INTED CEATER OF AMEDICA

NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF MODIFICATION PROCEDURES AND OF THE UNITED STATES' CONTINUED CONSENT TO MODIFICATION OF THE FINAL JUDGMENT

On December 22, 1999, Smith International, Inc. ("Smith") and Schlumberger Ltd. ("Schlumberger") moved to modify the Final Judgment entered in this case on April 12, 1994, and modified on September 19, 1996, by removing "Schlumberger Ltd." from the second sentence of Paragraph IV.F. of the Final Judgment, as amended. On that same date, the United States filed its consent to the proposed modification, reserving the right to withdraw its consent based upon public comments made or other information that came to its attention.

Notice of the proposed modification was published in the <u>Federal Register</u> on January 25, 2000 at Volume 65, No. 16, at page 3977, and in <u>The Washington Post</u>, a newspaper of general circulation in the District of Columbia, on January 11-January 17, 2000. The public had thirty days to submit comments, beginning on January 25, 2000 and ending on February 24, 2000. The United

States has received no comments about the proposed modification.

The United States continues to believe the proposed modification is in the public interest, and,

with the completion of the procedures for public notice and comment, now asks this Court to make its

public interest determination and enter the Order modifying the Final Judgment.

Dated: February 28, 2000

Respectfully submitted,

Angela L. Hughes

Member of The Florida Bar, #211052 Attorney, Antitrust Division United States Department of Justice 325 7th Street, N.W., Suite 500 Washington, D.C. 20530

Telephone: (202) 307-6410 Facsimile: (202) 307-2784

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 28, 2000, I caused the notice of completion of modification procedures and of the United States' Continued Consent to Modification of the Final Judgment to be served by facsimile and first class mail on the counsel listed below:

Wm. Bradford Reynolds Mary Jean Fell Collier, Shannon, Rill & Scott, PLLC 3050 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20007

Counsel for Smith International, Inc.

Rufus W. Oliver, III J. Bruce McDonald Baker & Botts, L.L.P. One Shell Plaza 910 Louisiana Street Houston, TX 77002

Mary C. Spearing Baker & Botts, L.L.P. The Warner 1299 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20004

Counsel for Schlumberger Ltd.

_________Angela L. Hughes